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Re: Enclosed Amendment After-Final Rejection Under 37 CFR §1.116

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/693,492

Docket No.: 030115

Dear Examiner Stokes:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 6, 2007, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

James E. Howard

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 10-13, and 19-20 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 9 and 14-18 are canceled to place the application into condition for immediate allowance. Claim 1 is independent.